as a matter of general policy, normally allowed to enter certain specified core industries.

Import of power equipments

373. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that large scale import of power equipments will load to crisis in the BHEL units of power generators;

(b) whether Government have taken any steps to stop import of power generators so as to use the indigenously manufactured ones; and

(c) whether Government are aware of the fact that the orders placed with BHEL power generators unit is dwindling because of the revised policy by Government to import power generators?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) Neither large scale import of power equipments is being allowed nor there has been any change in the policy of Government in this regard. Applications received for the import of power generating equipments, except diesel generating sets for stand-by power generation, are considered in accordance with the provisions of para 40 of the Import & Export policy 1985-88. Import is normally discouraged and the emphasis is that orders are placed on indigenous manufacturers. Approval for import is given on merits of each case after taking into account the offers received against the Global Tenders and after considering indigenous availability of the equipment including offers made by BHEL. Capacity utilisation of BHEL is under constant review of Government, and in order to improve the order book position of BHEL, an exercise has been undertaken to identify projects where orders for power generation equipment could be placed in advance on BHEL.

Court cases against Shri R.N. Goenka

374. SHRI VITHALBHAI MOTIRAM PATEL: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that number of cases against Shri Ram Nath Goenka, Chairman, Indian Express Private Limited, Bombay, are pending in different courts;

(b) how many cases against Shri Ram Nath Goenka are pending in courts;

(c) what are the reasons for delay in delivering the judgement; and

(d) by when the cases are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MNISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) No information regarding these cases is available as monitoring of individual cases is not dealt with in this Ministry. The Registries of the Supreme Court and the High Courts also do not furnish information about these cases.

(c) and (d) It is not possible to indicate the reasons for delay, if any, because reasons for delay in court cases are due to many complex factors; nor it is possible to indicate the time by which pending cases, if any, would be disposed of by the courts.

Export of Maruti cars

375. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 1 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 13th April, 1987 and state :

(a) whether the Maruti Udyog Limited propose to export Maruti cars;

(b) if so, what are the details in regard thereto; and

(c) when the export of such cars shall start and at what price the cars are proposed to be exported to each country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. K. K. TEWARY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Maruti Udyog Ltd. have already exported vehicles to Nepal and Bangladesh, and recently concluded a contract for sale of 500 cars to Hungary.

(c) The export of cars to Hungary is expected to start in August, 1987. It would not be in the commercial interest of Maruti Udyog Ltd. to disclose the export price of their vehicles.

Licences issued to Industrial Houses covered by MRTP Act

376. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of industrial licences issued to industrial houses covered by MRTP Act during the last one year; and

(b) the reasons for prefering monopoly houses in place of smaller companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Under the provisions of the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, a total of 124 industrial licences were issued during 1986 to various undertakings registered under the MRTP Act.

(b) All applications for grant of industrial licences, including these from MRTP companies, are considered on merits within the parameters of industrial policy announced from time to time and no preference is given to MRTP companies.

Legal steps to implement the policy on Foreign Trade Mark

377. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state what legal steps are being taken to implement the policy on Foreign Trade Mark?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): The issue of regulating the use of foreign trade marks on internal sales is engaging the attention of the Government.

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RE: ARMS DEAL WITH BOFORS OF SWEDEN

MR. CHAIRMAN: I give the floor to Mr. Dipen Ghosh. Nobody else should speak. I give the floor only to Mr. Dipen Ghosh... (*Interruptions*) No, no recording. None of the interruptions will go on record.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH (West Bengal): Mr. Chairman, today it is already there on the Order Paper that Mr. Arun Singh, Minister of State for Defence, would make a statement on the inquiry ordered by the erstwhile Defence Minister about payment of a commission to an Indian agent on the buying of certain submarines from West Germany...

AN HON. MEMBER: Alleged.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Why alleged? It is already on record. The word "alleged" is not being mentioned here.

In the meantime there has been a more serious allegation of bribing the leaders of the ruling party to influence the Central Government to buy certain arms from Bofors of Sweden. This allegation has wider